




## SAWSTON PARISH COUNCIL

### APPLICATION FOR GRANT OR DONATION

Name of Organisation	Sawston Library
Address	Sawston Village College, New Road, Sawston, Cambridge, CB22 3BP
Registered charity number (if applicable)	N/A
Telephone number	[REDACTED]
E-mail	[REDACTED]
Contact name and position in Organisation (plus address if different from above)	Shelley Hale, District Library Manager, [REDACTED] [REDACTED]
Bacs payment details	[REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED]
Describe the overall aim of your organisation and the activities or services it provides	Sawston Library is a busy local public library serving Sawston and the wider community. We pride ourselves on excellent customer service and welcome people from all walks of life. We currently have around 10K visits per annum. Membership to the library is FREE and Sawston currently has over 1000 active borrowers with more than half of these being children. We offer a broad range of services including book borrowing, audio books, e-books, e-audio books, workshops, baby and toddler rhyme times and story time, digital assistance which includes bus pass applications and volunteering opportunities.
Explain the direct benefit to Sawston of your organisation's activities including the number of Sawston residents who have benefitted in the past	Children and their families from the local community. Children's reading can 'dip' during the summer holidays if they don't have regular access to books and encouragement to read for pleasure, and the Summer Reading Challenge helps them keep up their reading skills and confidence.  We continually ask for feedback throughout the challenge and at all of our events to ensure what we do is relevant, enjoyable and beneficial for our local community.
Amount requested	£250

<p><b>Explain why your Organisation is applying for funding and the purpose for which is will be used</b></p>	<p>The purpose of the grant is to help fund the annual Summer Reading Challenge at Sawston Library and to support events and activities promoting the library and reading held during the year.</p> <p>Any grant the library receives will fund supporting activities, which encourage children to keep visiting the library and complete the challenge. We also use the funding to help us promote the challenge by going into local schools and establishing those key links to help children to thrive. This year we aim to increase the number of children starting and, especially, completing by at least 10%.</p> <p>The Summer Reading Challenge is a national scheme run by The Reading Agency. The aim is to inspire children to develop a love of reading and continue with their literary development during the Summer Holidays. The challenge is to read 6 books over the 6 weeks (1 book a week) and collect stickers after each book is read.</p>
<p><b>Detail the total cost of each item covered by your funding request (please use separate sheet if needed)</b></p>	<p>Your contribution would pay for/contribute to supporting events and activities which add value to the Summer Reading Challenge experience.</p> <p>For example:  Lion Learners (Animal experience) - £100.00  Author Visits - £120.00 - £300.00  Art Workshops £80.00 - £150.00</p>
<p><b>Have you applied to Sawston Parish Council for assistance before? If so give details</b></p>	<p>Yes - we ask for support to run the Summer Reading Challenge each year.</p>
<p><b>Signed</b></p>	
<p><b>Date</b></p>	<p>18/03/2024</p>
<p><b>Position in Organisation</b></p>	<p>District Library Manager</p>

Completed form should be sent to:

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